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Mayor welcomes progress on future of Electrolux site

Orange mayor Cr Red Kidd has welcomed progress on the former Electrolux site, but is urging caution about community expectations.

“It’s great news that an investment company has reached an agreement to buy the site from Electrolux, but I understand what might happen next is still very much up in the air, “ Cr Reg Kidd said.

“Council are routinely dealing with inquiries from major businesses who are looking at moving to a new location. We deal with those inquiries confidentially and try to make the right connections between businesses and investors and government to let those opportunities come together for the benefit of the local economy.

“The sale of this site to a company that puts it in a better position to make space available for manufacturing is good news.

“But, there’s been a number of false starts over the years, and Orange City Council understands that there is still uncertainty about whether any particular manufacturer will come to Orange.

“Investors and manufacturers routinely have a number of balls in the air at any one time and it would be very disappointing if the chances of any business coming to Orange were put at risk by confusion over some of the details of a potential new arrangement gaining media coverage prematurely.”

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